IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION

RAYMOND TIBBETTS, : Case No. 1:03-cv-114

Petitioner, : District Judge Susan J. Dlott

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v. : Chief Magistrate Judge Michael R. Merz

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MARGARET BRADSHAW, Warden, : ORDER ADOPTING REPORT AND

RECOMMENDATIONS AND

Respondent. : GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF

APPEALABILITY ON PETITIONER'S

FOURTH, FIFTH, AND NINETEENTH (PARTIAL) GROUNDS

This matter is before the Court on the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendations on Petitioner Raymond Tibbetts' Motion for a Certificate of Appealability (doc. 59); Petitioner's Objections to the Report (doc. 60); and Respondent's Opposition to Petitioner's Objections (doc. 61).

Petitioner moved for a certificate of appealability as to Claims Three, Four, Five, Eight, Nine, two sub-sections of Claim Nineteen, and Twenty-nine. (Doc. 55.) The Magistrate recommended that the Court issue a certificate of appealability on Petitioner's Fourth and Fifth Grounds for Relief and on the sub-claim of his Nineteenth Ground for Relief which claims error in failure to plead Proposition of Law 31. (Doc. 59 at 7.) Petitioner objected to the denial of a certificate of appealability as to his Third and two subsections of his Nineteenth Grounds for Relief.¹

¹ Petitioner's objection to the second sub-section of Claim Nineteen is MOOT since the Magistrate recommended a certificate of appealability as to that subsection.

Having reviewed the relevant pleadings and law *de novo*, the Court hereby

OVERRULES Tibbetts' Objections and **ADOPTS** the Magistrate's thorough and well-reasoned

Report in its entirety. Pursuant to the Report and the Court's review, the Court GRANTS

Petitioner a Certificate as to the Fourth and Fifth Grounds for Relief and on the sub-claim of his

Nineteenth Ground for Relief which claims error in failure to plead Proposition of Law 31.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Susan J. Dlott
Susan J. Dlott
United States District Judge